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**FOUNDERS DAY ASSEMBLY**  
**PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**  
**JANUARY 25, 1980 11a.m. EVANS HALL**

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine was founded on January 24, 1899, by two graduates of the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minnesota. Oscar John Snyder, M.S., D.O., became PCOM's first president, and Mason Wiley Pressly, A.B., B.D., D.O., the first secretary-treasurer.

Both physicians served as administrators and faculty members in the new school and maintained a joint practice. In addition, Dr. Snyder devoted himself to legislative lobbying in Harrisburg to win support for the college and for the osteopathic profession.

In 1905, both founders resigned their positions in favor of a new administration. Dr. Pressly left the college and shortly after, the Commonwealth. Dr. O.J. Snyder remained with PCOM as adviser and member of the board of trustees until his death in 1947. He continued to campaign for legal recognition of the osteopathic profession, expanded the course of instruction from two to three and eventually to four years, and brought about the establishment of high standards of osteopathic education through which the Commonwealth's legal recognition of both the college and profession was obtained.

The annual observance of Founders Day honors this man who "put the cause of osteopathic medicine above personal considerations."

## PROGRAM

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### INVOCATION

Spencer G. Bradford, D.O.  
Director, Division of Special and Continuing Education

### WELCOME — BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Honorable J. Sydney Hoffman  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

### DEDICATION OF PORTRAIT BY DR. ROWLAND

Otterbein Dressler, D.O., F.A.O.C.P., F.A.C.O.S.

1904-1976

Class of 1928

*Professor of Pathology*

1932-1950

*Dean*

1944-1950

### INTRODUCTION OF O.J. SNYDER MEMORIAL MEDAL RECIPIENT

Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., B.S., LL.D. (hon.)  
President

### ADDRESS

Leo C. Wagner, D.O., M.Sc. (ost.), F.A.C.O.P.

Class of 1926

*Professor of Pediatrics*

1945-1960

### BENEDICTION

Robert W. England, D.O., Dean

The O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal will be presented to Dr. Wagner at the Founders Day Dinner Dance to be held on January 26, 1980.

## RECIPIENTS OF THE O.J. SNYDER MEMORIAL MEDAL

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The O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal, presented in memory of the co-founder of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, is awarded in recognition of leadership and service to the osteopathic profession and to the College.

\*1953 David S.B. Pennock, M.D., D.O.

1954 Margaret H. Jones, D.O.

\*1955 Chester D. Swope, D.O.

\*1956 Russell C. McCaughan, D.O.

\*1958 Phil R. Russell, D.O.

\*1959 Ira W. Drew, D.O.

\*1960 C. Paul Snyder, D.O.

\*1961 James M. Eaton, D.O.

\*1962 J. Ernest Leuzinger, D.O.

\*1963 H. Walter Evans, D.O.

1964 Paul T. Lloyd, D.O.

\*1966 Angus G. Cathie, D.O.

\*1967 Carlton Street, D.O.

1968 Edwin H. Cressman, D.O.

\*1969 Edgar O. Holden, D.O.

\*1970 Frederic H. Barth, B.S., LL.D. (hon.)

\*1971 Joseph F. Py, D.O.

1972 George W. Northup, D.O.

\*1973 William F. Daiber, D.O.

1974 Herman Kohn, D.O.

1975 William S. Spaeth, D.O.

1976 Mortimer J. Sullivan, D.O.

1977 A. Aline Swift, D.O.

1978 Foster C. True, D.O.

1979 Frank E. Gruber, D.O.

1980 Leo C. Wagner, D.O.

\*deceased

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